

*Handwritten signature/initials and a dollar sign.*

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Attorney Docket No.: 3158.01US02

Dodds

Confirmation No.: 1330

Application No.: 10/751,092

Examiner: B. Griles

Filed: January 2, 2004

Group Art Unit: 3643

For: FEEDING APPARATUS FOR LIVESTOCK

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed more than three months after the U.S. filing date and after the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits, but before the mailing date of a Final Action or Notice of Allowance.

Attached is a check in the amount of \$180.00 in payment of the fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p). Please credit or debit Deposit Account No. 16-0631 as needed to ensure consideration of the disclosed information.

Application No. 10/751,092

This application was filed after June 30, 2003; therefore, copies of cited U.S. patents and U.S. published applications are not included.

Respectfully submitted,



Brian L. Jarrells  
Registration No. 53,0367

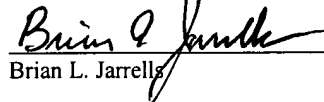
Customer No. 24113  
Patterson, Thunte, Skaar & Christensen, P.A.  
4800 IDS Center  
80 South 8th Street  
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402-2100  
Telephone: (612) 252-1535

*Please grant any extension of time necessary for entry; charge any fee due to Deposit Account No. 16-0631.*

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this document is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on

July 7, 2004  
Date of Deposit

  
Brian L. Jarrells



Substitute for form 1449/PTO

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE  
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

Complete if Known

Application Number	10/751,092
Filing Date	January 2, 2004
First Named Inventor	Dodds
Art Unit	3643
Examiner Name	B. Griles
Attorney Docket Number	3158.01US02

Sheet	1	of	1
-------	---	----	---

## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Document Number	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document
		Number-Kind Code <sup>2</sup> (if known)		
		US-2,153,455	04-04-1939	Casper et al.
		US-3,004,518	10-17-1961	Struckhoff
		US-3,020,881	02-13-1962	Strom
		US-4,364,333	12-21-1982	Touchette
		US-4,364,335	12-21-1982	Livingston
		US-4,580,528	04-08-1986	Kendall
		US-5,000,122	03-19-1991	Smith
		US-5,435,267	07-25-1995	Patterson
		US-6,199,511	03-13-2001	Thibault
		US-D230,612	03-05-1974	Williamson et al.
		US-D286,692	11-11-1986	DePew
		US-D293,948	01-26-1988	DePew
		US-D397,530	08-25-1998	Lile
		US-D423,735	04-25-2000	Lile
		US-D451,649	12-04-2001	Lovell
		US-		
		US-		

## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	T <sup>6</sup>
		Country Code <sup>3</sup> Number <sup>4</sup> Kind Code <sup>5</sup> (if known)			

EXAMINER  
SIGNATUREDATE  
CONSIDERED

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

<sup>1</sup>Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). <sup>2</sup>See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at [www.uspto.gov](http://www.uspto.gov) or MPEP 901.04. <sup>3</sup>Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). <sup>4</sup>For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. <sup>5</sup>Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. <sup>6</sup>Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.